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SUBJECT: Who Wants Our NIEs?

This chart shows the origins of our products from 1981 to 1985. It shows the percentages of our products that we initiated ourselves, the percentages that were requested by others, and a breakdown of this latter category to show just where these outside requests have been coming from.

As you will see, the numbers have shifted somewhat during the years. For 1985, it seems that we initiated about half our products, with an equal percentage produced as the result of requests. You will not be astonished to discover that for each year, the DCI has called for more of our products than any other requester. Moreover, it is likely but not statistically demonstrable that some of the products we classify as "NIO-initiated" in fact bear the DCI's footprints.

I welcome any comments you might have on this chart. More importantly, I would like your recommendations on whether we should stimulate more outside requests and if so, how best to do this.

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